

one of these schools of law from an association composed mainly of ecclesiastics and their apprentices into a body of secular practitioners—one of the most interesting processes of evolution in the progressive history of England.

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NATIVES MISTOOK A GERMAN WARSHIP FOR AMERICAN—AN AMERICAN SCHOONER SEIZED.

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The Duff group numbers eleven islands, all thickly inhabited by copper-colored natives. The whole of the recent annexations have been placed under the control of C. M. Woodford, the British resident in the Solomon group.

The island of Mottuli, or Kennedy Island, which has been reported as the scene of a massacre, was searched for in vain by the Mohawk. It is thought the island, like Falcón Island, has sunk beneath the waves.

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TRAGIC END OF A TRADING VOYAGE TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS.

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